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I have to say that I do not agree one-bit to the settlement that has been offered to Microsoft. The last straw is agreeing to the offer made by Microsoft to offer free software to America's poorest schools. Noble cause indeed... but at what cost. It seems to me that Microsoft is in fact being helped maintain their monopoly by this settlement.

Let me analyze this. There are some other companies which may be offering free software to these schools already. But now cool it guys... these schools have to use MS software because its a part of the settlement. There is no justice in this world.

My only suggestion is stop the suffering. Wake up guys, the only thing MS is innovative about is on how to twist the judiciary to their own benefit. Their software is not innovative. MS has, in fact, been making very lousy software because there do not have enough competition. Its time to let other competes with MS so that they are forced to develop better and more reliable software.

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